## **SOUTH CAROLINA CHAPTER OF PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN (POMC)**

Presents

# WINTER GRIEF SYMPOSIUM 2005

Ms. M. Hope Blackley, Crime Victims' Ombudsman Ms. Jackie Olsen, Ret. Educator

"SIBLING GRIEF: THE FORGOTTEN MOURNERS"

The symposium is designed to increase siblings, parents, relatives, professionals and others understanding of the devastation of homicide and its impact on sibling survivors. Our presenters are both survivors of a sibling homicide. The symposium will address the aftermath of murder in the following areas: How siblings of murder victims suffer in their own unique way. What happens with the surviving sibling when a brother/sister is murdered? Why Sibling Grief is different? They not only feel the loss of their brother/sister, but the family dynamics change in ways that may present challenges. This workshop will explore these issues and discuss some effective coping strategies for grieving siblings. *So mark your calendar and meet us on Friday, December 9, 2004 at 9:30 A.M – 12:05 P.M. Refreshments and lunch will be provided.* 

## The Speakers:

- Ms. Jackie Olsen, the youngest of four daughters, graduated from Winthrop University and did graduate work at the University of South Carolina. After teaching school for 25 years, she now spends most of her time tending to her mother and her aunt, keeping up with her husband's busy schedule, and being a mom to her daughter and son.
- M Hope Blackley, Crime Victims Ombudsman for the State of South Carolina started work in the victim service arena in 1997 as a victim advocate with the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit Solicitor's Office in Spartanburg County. Ms. Blackley was appointed by Governor Sanford in October 2004 for the Crime Victims' Ombudsman post.

MEN'S GROUP: 12:30 - 2:00 P.M.

A Man's Grief: Living with Homicide (for Men Only)
Facilitator: Marvin M Bryant, Sr., Chapter Leader
Parents Of Murdered Children-South Carolina Chapter

# WINTER GRIEF SYMPOSIUM 2005 UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CONFERENCE CENTER 4908 COLONIAL DRIVE COLUMBIA, SC 29203 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2005 9:30 AM - 2:00 PM

REGISTRATION FORM

HOPE, HEALTH & HEALING IV

## *This event is made available solely through donations:*

The cost of the Symposium is donations of \$25 for victims/survivors \$50 for victim advocates, professionals and law enforcement personnel.

### SPACE IS LIMITED SO REGISTER EARLY.

Registration must be received by December 2, 2005.

Complete the registration form and fax to (803) 776-0880 (agency and/or personal checks accepted)
or mail to: South Carolina Chapter, Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc., PO Box 90887, Columbia, SC 29290

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Telephone:

Loved One's Name/Age/Date of loss:

Do you require special accommodations/diet?

If you have any questions, please call Marvin M Bryant at (803) 414-4491 or (803) 776-7708 or toll free 1-866-617-7662

Donations and Sponsorship received for attending the Symposium are used specifically for reaching out to the Survivors and increasing the Community's Awareness of the devastation and impact that murder leaves behind. Your Support is appreciated! Any survivor who may not have the \$25.00 donation requested should contact Marvin M Bryant, Sr. at (803)414-4491.